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Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Meeting and Texas Delivers 2050 Overview

Current and Future Freight Demand and Challenges

Break-out Groups – Freight Transportation Needs and Strategies

Discussion, Next Steps and Closing Remarks
**Purpose:** To develop a statewide multimodal freight plan that reflects freight transportation needs and economic competitiveness throughout the state by incorporating stakeholder input

**Objectives:** Solicit stakeholder input on freight demand, needs and strategies

**Outcome:** Finalize needs assessment and develop strategies to ensure safe, efficient freight mobility in Texas
Seven Workshops

In Person
- Brownsville, May 16
- Houston, May 17
- Midland, May 18

Virtual
- Urban areas, June 14
- Rural areas, June 15
- Border region, June 16
- Statewide, June 17
How Today's Input Will Be Used

**Today's Meeting**

**FREIGHT DEMAND**
- Identify current and future freight demand in Texas

**FREIGHT NEEDS AND STRATEGIES**
- Input on infrastructure, technology, operations, policy and program needs
- Refine freight transportation needs assessment and strategies
- Inform forecasts and scenarios

**LAY GROUNDWORK FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**
Plan Overview
Motivation for Texas Freight Mobility Plan (TFMP)

Federal requirement to use National Freight Program Funds (FAST Act)

How does transportation maintain/grow/support our economy?

How do we leverage our assets for economic growth and quality of life?

How do we make the business case for freight investment?

How do we accommodate growth across the state?

What is going to happen in the future and how do we plan for it?

How do we balance freight and passenger needs?
Approach Overview

1. Collect data, review materials, identify supply chains
2. Develop and vet supply chains
3. TFMP goals and objectives
4. Supply chain working groups
5. Supply chain network, needs, trends, and strategies
6. Technical analysis
7. Documentation
8. Draft final report
9. Final report
10. Fact sheets, executive summary

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Supply Chain Focus

- Role of Texas Multimodal Freight Network (TMFN) for key industries
- Identification of critical supply chain trends and challenges
- Analysis of supply chain opportunities and risks
- Identification of freight transportation operations, policies, and program investments to support continued economic growth
Stakeholder Informed Plan

- Stakeholder interviews
- Texas Freight Advisory Committee
- Supply Chain Working Group (SCWG)
- Industry forums and workshops
Texas Delivers 2050 Schedule

ASSESSING CURRENT & FUTURE FREIGHT NEEDS
Commodity Flow Forecasts and Scenarios; Needs Assessment

ACCESSING CRITICAL SUPPLY CHAINS, UNDERSTANDING THE TEXAS MULTIMODAL FREIGHT NETWORK
Freight and Economic Profiles; Supply Chain Analysis, Network Designation; Trends, Disruptors & Opportunities

DEVELOPING STRATEGIES
Policy, Program, and Project Strategies

STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH

AUG '21 SEP '21 OCT '21 NOV '21 DEC '21 JAN '22 FEB '22 MAR '22 APR '22 MAY '22 JUN '22 JUL '22 AUG '22 SEP '22

STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOPS #1
Goals, Freight Profiles, Freight System

STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOPS #2
Forecasts, Needs, Strategies

TxFAC Meetings
SCWG Meeting
Current and Future Freight Demand

Facilitated Discussion
How have freight flows changed in the border region over the last 5 years?

- Increased
- Growing once again
- Truck freight has continuously increased over the years, however, during 2020 it dropped significantly and it has been recovering after that

- More trucks through small town downtowns
- Border region commercial traffic, especially in Laredo, have continued to grow ~4% per year, outpacing infrastructure and mobility enhancements
- Increase freight traffic.

- There's more congestion/traffic as the years go by.
- Continue to increase
- Bi-national trade is challenged because of both train and vehicle cross-border challenges. Better infrastructure is needed.
How have freight flows changed in the border region over the last 5 years?

Produce and cattle.
What are the most important commodities moving in your region?

- Automotive components, construction materials, produce, energy products
- Agriculture products that need to be delivered on a timely basis.
- Produce and cattle.
- Manufactured home from a maquila in Ojinaga and Presidio.
- Automotive parts, aircraft engines, soybeans, passenger vehicles, beer, commercial vehicles
Commodity Flow Data

- Developed by IHS Markit, a unit of S&P Global
- Obtained 2019 and 2020 base year and 2050 forecast
  - County-level commodity flow
  - 4-digit Standard Transportation Commodity Classification (STCC) code
- Supplemented to address critical gaps
  - Energy sector goods- water, brine, sand
  - Cross-border flows
- Used 2019 as base year
  - Avoid disruptions caused by pandemic in 2020
  - Use 2020 to examine impact of disruption
Total Freight Volumes Moving in Texas, 2014-2050

Tonnage (thousands)

- 2014
- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018
- 2019
- 2050
Freight Tonnage in Texas by Mode, 2014-2050

Tonnage (Thousands)

6,000,000
5,000,000
4,000,000
3,000,000
2,000,000
1,000,000
0


Highway  Rail  Water  Air

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Freight Volumes Moving via Truck on Texas Roadways, 2014-2050

Truck Tonnage (Thousands)

- 2014
- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018
- 2019
- 2050

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Freight Volumes in Texas by Direction, 2014-2050

Tonnage (Thousands)

- 2014
- 2015
- 2016
- 2017
- 2018
- 2019
- 2050

Legend:
- Inbound
- Outbound
- Through
- Intrastate

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### Top Commodities Moving in Texas by Tonnage, 2019-2050

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<td>Crude Petroleum</td>
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<td>Warehouse &amp; Distribution Center</td>
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<td>Grain</td>
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Texas Freight Flows by Direction by Tonnage, 2019 and 2050

2019
- Inbound: 15%
- Outbound: 11%
- Through: 10%
- Intrastate: 64%

2050
- Inbound: 15%
- Outbound: 11%
- Through: 11%
- Intrastate: 63%
Texas Freight Flows by Direction by Value, 2019 and 2050

2019
- Inbound: 26%
- Intrastate: 24%
- Outbound: 22%
- Through: 28%

2050
- Inbound: 28%
- Intrastate: 24%
- Outbound: 22%
- Through: 26%

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Do you think these commodity flow numbers are:

- Too high: 1
- Too low: 0
- About right: 6
- Not sure: 3
Break-Out Group - Freight Needs and Challenges
Freight Network Needs and Challenges

- SAFETY
- TRUCK PARKING
- TECHNOLOGY
- MOBILITY & RELIABILITY
- ASSET PRESERVATION
- CONNECTIVITY
- FUNDING
- RESILIENCY
Needs Assessment Categories and Metrics

- **MOBILITY AND RELIABILITY**
  - Congestion
  - Truck travel time reliability
  - At-grade highway-rail crossings

- **SAFETY**
  - Truck involved crash rate
  - Truck crash severity
  - At-grade highway-rail crossings

- **FREIGHT ASSET UTILIZATION AND PRESERVATION**
  - Pavement conditions
  - Bridge load restrictions and conditions
  - Vertical bridge clearance
  - Oversize/Overweight permitted loads

- **FREIGHT NETWORK DESIGN**
  - Frontage roads
  - Number of lanes
  - Shoulder widths
  - Lane width

Overlay factors on Freight System Designation score

Combined score of factors and relative freight importance to get high, medium, and low needs score
### Mobility and Reliability Needs

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- West Texas and border regions experienced most significant increase in mobility needs since 2018
### Truck Parking Needs

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- High needs throughout state
  - Large metro areas
  - Permian Basin
  - Panhandle
  - Eastern border region
Asset Preservation Needs - Pavement Conditions

International Roughness Index (IRI)

Pavement Condition Rating (PCR)

Needs Assessment - Pavement Condition
- Texas Highway Freight Network (THFN)
- Rough (IRI 171 - 220)
- Very Rough (IRI >220)

THFN Pavement Condition
- Poor
- Fair
- Good
### THFN Asset Preservation Needs

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<td>2%</td>
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- High needs are isolated
  - Southeast Texas
  - Rural roads on urban fringes
- Medium needs more widespread and longer segments
## Additional Needs Assessment Categories and Metrics

### TECHNOLOGY
- Weigh-in-Motion needs
- Traffic management center coverage
- Traveler information systems
- Incident management systems

### CONNECTIVITY
- Strategic industries
- Intermodal terminals
- Gateways

### EQUITY
- Vulnerable communities index
  - Poverty, Minority, English proficiency, Education, Age, Disability, Unemployment

### RESILIENCY
- Exposure to disruptors
  - Extreme weather events, Labor disputes, Cyber attacks
  - Infrastructure failures, Other man-made disruptions

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**Overlay factors on Freight System Designation score**

Combined score of factors and relative freight importance to get high, medium, and low needs score
Breakout Group Discussion Topics

1. What are your most critical freight transportation challenges?

2. What can TxDOT do to mitigate these challenges?

3. How can TxDOT partner with local governments and private industry to ensure a safe, resilient freight network?
Next Steps and Wrap-up
Develop comprehensive list of strategies

Screen strategies based on selected criteria to develop recommendations

Prioritize recommendations and develop implementation framework
### Types of Strategies and Recommendations

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How important are the following goal areas in prioritizing recommendations?

1st  Safety
2nd  Congestion relief and reliability
3rd  Asset preservation and modernization
4th  Connectivity and accessibility
5th  Economic competitiveness
6th  Cost effectiveness
7th  Other (please specify)
Next Steps for Recommendations and Strategies

Stakeholder Meetings, TxFAC, SCWG

1. Compile list of draft recommendations
2. Steering Committee review recommendations and provide feedback
3. Update recommendations based on input
4. Develop freight investment plan
5. Screen and prioritize
6. Finalize recommendations
Upcoming Meetings

- Virtual workshops
  - Urban areas, June 14
  - Rural areas, June 15
  - Border region, June 16
  - Statewide, June 17

- Texas Freight Advisory Committee – July 20 (Austin)
Texas Delivers 2050 Schedule

**Accessing Critical Supply Chains, Understanding the Texas Multimodal Freight Network**
- Freight and Economic Profiles; Supply Chain Analysis, Network Designation; Trends, Disruptors & Opportunities

**Assessing Current & Future Freight Needs**
- Commodity Flow Forecasts and Scenarios; Needs Assessment

**Developing Strategies**
- Policy, Program, and Project Strategies

**Draft Final Plan**

**Stakeholder Outreach**

**Stakeholder Workshops #1**
- Goals, Freight Profiles, Freight System

**Stakeholder Workshops #2**
- Forecasts, Needs, Strategies

**TxFAC Meetings**

**SCWG Meeting**
Thank you!

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